AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification as follows.

Delete the paragraph on page 4, spanning lines 22-23, and insert the following therefor:

C-X_2-(F/L)-(K/M/I)-X_5-(K/R/Q)-(G/E)-X_8-X_9-C-R-X_{12}-X_{13}-**TriPept**-C-D-(L/V)-X_{20}-E-Y-C-N-(G/E)-(T/S)-S-(A/E/G)-X_{29}-C <u>(SEQ ID NO:12)</u>

Delete the paragraph on page 6, spanning lines 10-17, and insert the following therefor:

C_1-X2-(F/L)-(K/M/I)-X_5-(K/R/Q)-(G/E)-X_8-X_9-C-R-X_{12}-X_{13}-**TriPept**-C_{17} <u>(SEQ ID NO:10)</u>;

C_1-X2-(F/L)-(K/M/I)-X_5-(K/R/Q)-(G/E)-X_8-X_9-C-R-X_{12}-X_{13}-**TriPept**-C-D-(L/V)-X_{20}-E-Y-C_{23} <u>(SEQ ID NO:11)</u>;

C_1-X2-(F/L)-(K/M/I)-X_5-(K/R/Q)-(G/E)-X_8-X_9-C-R-X_{12}-X_{13}-**TriPept**-C-D-(L/V)-X_{20}-E-Y-C-N-(G/E)-(T/S)-S-(A/E/G)-X_{29}-C_{30} <u>(SEQ ID NO:12)</u>;

C_{10}- R-X_{12}-X_{13}-**TriPept**-C_{17} <u>(SEQ ID NO:13)</u>;

C_{10}- R-X_{12}-X_{13}-**TriPept**-C-D-(L/V)-X_{20}-E-Y-C_{23} <u>(SEQ ID NO:14)</u>;

C_{10}- R-X_{12}-X_{13}-**TriPept**-C-D-(L/V)-X_{20}-E-Y-C-N-(G/E)-(T/S)-S-(A/E/G)-X_{29}-C_{30} <u>(SEQ ID NO:15)</u>;

Delete the paragraph on page 6, spanning lines 23-24, and insert the following therefor:

C_{10}- R-X_{12}-X_{13}-**TriPept**-C_{17} <u>(SEQ ID NO:13)</u>; or

C_{10}- R-X_{12}-X_{13}-**TriPept**-C-D-(L/V)-X_{20}-E-Y-C_{23} <u>(SEQ ID NO:14)</u>.

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Delete the paragraph on page 7, line 2, and insert the following therefor:

C-X- **TriPept** -C (SEQ ID NO:16)

Insert the attached Sequence Listing in place of the Sequence Listing filed with

the Preliminary Amendment of May 19, 2006.

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